

MUCH BUSINESS TRANSACTION IN LEGISLATURE

Fredericton, April 4.—A large amount of business was transacted by the legislature today and it now seems to be the idea of both sides of the house to expedite the work of the remainder of the session as much as possible. Nine bills were given their third reading and passed, several new government measures introduced and considerable headway made with the estimates.

Among the bills introduced was one amending the municipal debentures act, making it compulsory for school boards to provide sinking funds for bonds issued, a bill to amend the New Brunswick companies act to provide for the incorporation of political bodies, a bill to amend the New Brunswick electric power act, to facilitate the expropriation of land by the commission and also to give any municipality or city the right to enter into a contract with the commission for the purchase of power, an act to further provide for permanent bridges and works of a permanent nature, including \$30,000 for work done between the end of the fiscal year and March 31, \$100,000 for work undertaken and \$300,000 for work contemplated. A bill also was introduced to provide for

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The house went into supply with Mr. Hayes in the chair and passed the appropriations for the legislative assembly, the department of the attorney-general, the department of agriculture with the exception of an item of \$8,000 for immigration which was stood over, the department of lands and mines and most of the items of the department of public works. Most of the items were passed without discussion, with the exception of those of public works.

When the house resumed this evening the estimates were further considered and the balance of the appropriations for the public works department, those for the department of public health and the hospital grants were passed.

Speaking in supply, Mr. Pinder, member for York, signified his intention of opposing the bill regarding the city of St. John and the N. B. Power Company when it was presented in the house.

Mr. Smith (Albert) said that the lime crushing plant had cost \$10,000 and the province was to give a bonus of twenty-five cents per ton. He presumed the bonus was to go to a sinking fund, and if so, he wanted to know when the government expected to realize the full amount. He was glad to know that the hon. minister was devoting his whole time to the work of his department.

He said Mr. Messerieu said that the object of the scheme was to give the farmers cheap lime, and not to make a profit for the government. He understood that when the government had

received sufficient in bonus to reimburse them for the outlay, the plant would be turned over to the company. The bonus as paid in to the department was turned over to the provincial secretary treasurer.

Mr. Smith (Albert) on the item of \$2,000 for bonus for wheat mills asked for a list of those to whom the money would be paid.

Hon. Mr. Messerieu said that \$1,000 would go to J. E. Porter, of Andover, as the second half of his bonus, and \$1,000 would go to J. Cote, of Grand Falls, as the first half of his bonus. Mr. Smith (Albert) on the item of \$13,000 for exhibitions said that he had heard considerable criticism with reference to grants to exhibitions, particularly those held at St. John and Fredericton. He had not heard so much criticism, however, in regard to the

smaller shows, such as those held at Woodstock and St. Stephen. The farmers were beginning to feel that the large expenditure was of more benefit to hotels and stores than to those who tilled the soil.

Hon. Mr. Messerieu said that he was inclined to agree with the hon. member, but wished to point out that the large exhibitions had for years been in receipt of grants from the government. Formerly one provincial exhibition was held each year, but no where were two, and the grants were given year about to stock and Chatham. Large plants had been built up in those places at considerable expense, and in one town twenty citizens had subscribed \$1,000 each for the purpose. He felt, however, that overhead expenses had become too large and he had advised curtailment.

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grants had already been promised for the present year and hardship would result if they were not made. The fair at St. John could not be strictly called an agricultural exhibition. True it was patronized by many farmers, but they went there for recreation, and were apparently as much interested in the girls at the shows as in the agricultural exhibits. He favored helping the small fairs and last year had given a grant to one at Port Elgin, which for the present year would go to Sackville. The provincial grant for 1922 would go to St. John and Woodstock.

Mr. Fawcett said that he believed the province should cut out grants for large exhibitions. It was important that expenses should be reduced, and while economy was necessary in matters pertaining to agriculture, he did not mean to imply that it should begin there and end there.

The house again went into committee and agreed to bills to amend the Jure's act, to provide for a tax on liquor exports, to amend the St. John city court act, to incorporate the Lieutenant George B. Peck memorial hall and to enable the Roman Catholic bishop of Chatham to sell certain lands in Gloucester, and to enable the trustees of the Victoria street Baptist church, St. John, to issue debentures.

Adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

TUNISIAN HERE FROM GLASGOW

The C. P. liner Tunisian arrived in port yesterday from Glasgow, Scotland, and docked at No. 3 berth, Sand Point, shortly before 4 o'clock. She brought on 110 cabin and 308 third-class passengers, in addition to approximately 600 tons of general cargo.

Included in the passengers were: Dr. William Huntington, M.H.C.S., L.R.C.P., of St. Andrews, Scotland, and Commander C. G. Guy, of Montreal, who had been in London for a few weeks on business. Maritime passengers on board were: Mrs. Harris Mawhinney and child, of this city, who went to Scotland at the first of the year on a visit to relatives, and J. H. Dunlop, of Bathurst (N. B.).

Another party of settlers arrived on the steamer. There were fifteen members, all rugged-looking West Highlanders, who are en route to the west to till the soil and establish themselves as Canadian citizens. On their arrival they were looked after by A. MacDuff, who is the C. P. R. colonization agent, and prior to departing for the destination were lined up to have their photographs taken. The party came under the supervision of Rev. Angus McDonald.

A special train was made up and departed from Sand Point at 7:15 o'clock. This conveyed the majority of the passengers to Montreal and points west, while a few left on the regular train en route to various destinations.

The arm of the law is far reaching was demonstrated yesterday when the Tunisian docked, as two detectives came ashore, accompanied by a young Scotchman, Harold R. Shillington, who is wanted in London, Ontario, for an alleged theft of \$60,000 worth of bonds from a trust company. The theft of the bonds occurred some time ago, and he was recognized recently in England in



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Where he will be forced to give an accounting. The prisoner was rushed to a taxi and whirled off to the Union Station to catch the 4:30 train to London.

Inspector A. B. Boyd of the Ontario Provincial Police was here to meet the party, and assistance was also given by the local investigation department of the C. P. R.

While the Tunisian was en route here, a young Scottish sailor fell overboard and was drowned. He was engaged in work on the ship when he lost his foot-

ing. The ship was stopped and every effort was made to locate him, but after two hours the search was given up. He was a native of Scotland and was married.

POOL TOURNAMENT.

Two games in the pool tournament were shot last night at the Y. M. C. I. The Assumption society represented by W. O'Leary and M. Donovan, won from the A. O. H. No. 1, represented by N. Mackin and E. McCarthy. The Y. M. C. I. represented by J. Sullivan and H. C. I. represented by the Fairville A. O. H. No. 5, represented by J. McGovern and C. Gillis.

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